

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY  
CITY OF MONTICELLO  
MONDAY, JULY 18, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Monday, July 18, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jason Thompson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call, by Clerk Treasurer Liz Oilar, was answered by Board Members Mayor Jason Thompson, Mike Keever, and Phil Vogel, and City Attorney George Loy.

There being no additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting on Monday, June 20, 2011, a motion was made by Board Member Mike Keever, seconded by Board Member Phil Vogel, to approve the minutes as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

There was an addition to the agenda – Consideration of Quotes for Generator –  
Fire Department

**Consideration of Quotes for Generator – Fire Department**

Fire Chief Shane Swaim stated that they would like to replace the generator in the basement of the Fire Station. He asked for three quotes and received two. They are from:

Rodale Electric Service, Inc.	\$38,596.00
K&M Electric & Construction	\$25,997.60

The only problem with the lowest bid is that he is requesting half payment before and half payment after the job is completed. City Attorney George Loy stated that the City is unable to pay before the job is done. Funding for the generator was discussed. The Council could possibly pay for it out of Repair & Maintenance or some from Cumulative Capital Improvement. After much discussion, Board Member Mike Keever made the motion to approve K&M Electric's quote for the new generator installation, quote #615, for \$25,997.60 total amount payable on completion, seconded by Board Member Mayor Jason Thompson. All ayes, motion carried.

**Accept Josh Shoemaker's Letter of Resignation – Police Department**

Police Chief Curt Blount stated that Josh has left the Police Department to pursue a Deputy's spot with the White County Sheriff's Department. He is already working there as a deputy. Board Member Phil Vogel made the motion to accept Josh's resignation, seconded by Board Member Mike Keever. All ayes, motion carried.

**Permission to Accept Applications for Animal Control/Ordinance Officer – Police Department**

Police Chief Curt Blount asked the Board for permission to accept applications to replace Josh as the Animal Control/Ordinance Officer position. He would like to get this position filled right away. Board Member Mike Keever made the motion to give the Chief permission to accept applications for an Animal Control/Ordinance Officer, seconded by Board Member Phil Vogel. All ayes, motion carried.

### **Permission to Accept Applications for Patrolman – Police Department**

Police Chief Curt Blount stated that Officer Joe Nies has accepted a position with the Logansport Police Department. He has not given a letter of resignation yet but Chief Blount is expecting it before the next Board of Works meeting. Chief Blount has talked with the Chief at Logansport and they have hired Joe and he has started the pension process with the Logansport Police Department. Chief Blount stated that the application process for a patrol officer's position is more detailed and takes longer to get going. For this reason he would like to start the process to hire a replacement Officer and is asking permission to do so. Board Member Mike Keever made the motion to start accepting applications for the Patrolman position for the anticipated vacancy at the Police Department, seconded by Board Member Mayor Jason Thompson. Board Member Phil Vogel asked Chief Blount how long we have had twelve officers at the Police Department. Chief Blount believes its been around seventeen years. All ayes, motion carried.

### **Discussion of 9<sup>th</sup> Street – American Structurepoint – Kevin Jasinski**

Mayor Thompson stated that Kevin Jasinski, American Structurepoint, is back tonight to update the Board of Works about the work he has done on Ninth Street. Previously, the Board directed him to pursue Federal Funding for this project. We have been recently notified that we did not receive any of the Federal Funding from the State. The application is based on a points system which this project was short. There were two applications. They were Ninth Street and 18<sup>th</sup> Street in Logansport. All the money went to Logansport's project. Mayor Thompson notified Mr. Jasinski that there is an application for a shovel ready site due September of this year. If that process goes through access would be important. Mr. Jasinski recommended Ninth Street go local funding. Phase I consist of extending Ohio Street from the west side of South Sixth Street to connect with the proposed Ninth Street which will start at the intersection of US Highway 24 and Walmart. Land acquisition would start immediately with a letting of January or February of 2012. The total cost of Phase I is \$2.35 million. The TIF fund balance is \$1,517,051.10. Mayor Thompson stated that the City would have to get a bond for this project. Board Member Phil Vogel stated that he has not changed his mind about the funding for this project. If the City cannot get Federal funding then he is not in favor of the Ninth Street project. He would like for the Mayor, Mr. Jasinski, and himself to go out to the site and discuss the project there before the next Board of Works meeting. Council Member Jim Mann asked if Umbaugh could be contacted to look at the project on a financial level to see how this would work for the City. City Attorney George Loy said he would contact Todd Samuelson at Umbaugh. Tonight's meeting was informational only.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Liz Oilar, IAMC, CMC  
City Clerk Treasurer